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<b>RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION TRANSMITTAL LETTER</b>			ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NO. 24180-044002
SERIAL NO. 09/369,980	FILING DATE July 30, 1999	EXAMINER R. Dye	GROUP ART UNIT 1772
INVENTOR(S) <u>Galloway, et al.</u>			
TITLE OF INVENTION <u>Multi-layer Thermoplastic Films and Packages Made Therefrom</u>			

**TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS**

Transmitted herewith is a response in the above-identified application to the Office Action of November 29, 2001.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
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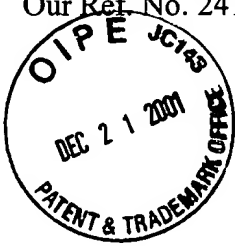
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U.S. Patent Application No. 09/369,980  
"Multi-layer Thermoplastic Films and Packages Made Therefrom"  
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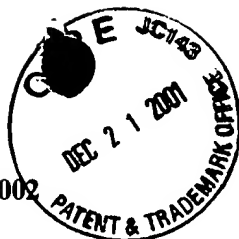
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Galloway, et al., U.S. Patent )  
Application No. 09/369,980 )  
For: MULTI-LAYER THERMOPLASTIC FILMS )  
AND PACKAGES MADE THEREFROM )  
Filed: July 30, 1999 )  
Group Art Unit: 1772 )  
Examiner: R. Dye )

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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Communication (paper 18) mailed November 29, 2001, it is respectfully requested that the following remarks be considered.

REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the opportunity granted by the Examiner for applicants' to respond to obviousness-type double patenting rejection set forth in paragraph nos. 3-4 of the Office Action (paper 15) mailed April 10, 2001.

The Examiner has rejected claims 17, 18, 20 and 21 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1, 2, 4-13, 15, 16 and 21 of copending Application No. 08/899,410. The Examiner has stated that although the conflicting claims are not identical, they are not patentably distinct from each other because the claims recited in the present patent application are recited broadly enough to include or encompass that which is recited in related patent application serial number 08/899,410.

With respect to the rejection of claims 17, 18, 20 and 21 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1, 2, 4-13, 15, 16 and 21 of copending Application No. 08/899,410, Applicants will be willing to consider